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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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TITLE: **CONNECTOR HEADER GROMMET FOR AN IMPLANTABLE MEDICAL DEVICE**

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- ☒ **Patent Application Transmittal**
- ☒ **Specification:**  
Total pages: 45 (including claims and abstract: Spec. 36 sheets; Claims 8 sheets; Abstract 1)
- ☒ **Drawings:**  
Total sheets: 10  
☒ formal ☐ informal
- ☒ **Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney:**  
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☐ copy from prior application  
☐ Deletion of Inventor(s) - Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b))  
☐ Incorporation by Reference - *The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied above is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.*
- ☒ **Accompanying application parts:**  
☐ Notification of filing a  
☐ Assignment of the Invention to Medtronic, Inc.  
☐ Assignment cover sheet  
☐ Information Disclosure Statement  
☐ PTO Form 1449  
☐ Copies of IDS citations  
☐ Preliminary Amendment  
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- ☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No. .
- ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: -This application is a of application Serial No. , filed , now allowed.-
- ☐ Cancel in this application original claims \_\_\_\_ of the prior application for calculating the filing fee. (At least the original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)
- ☐ The prior application is assigned of record to Medtronic, Inc.
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☐ This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application(s) Serial No.(s) \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_.

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FEE CALCULATION	No. of Claims Filed	Claims Included in Base Fee		No. of Extra Claims	Rate	Fee
Total Claims	23	20	=	3	x 18	\$54.00
Independent Claims	3	3	=	0	x 86	
Multiple Dependent Claims				0	+ 290	
Basic Filing Fee						\$770.00
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